IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yoichi IKEDA

HYDRAULIC PASSAGE STRUCTURE OF

AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION FRICTION

ELEMENT

Appl. No.:

Title:

10/617,787

Appl. Filing Date:

7/14/2003

Examiner:

Chong Hwa Kim

Art Unit:

3682

Confirmation

4084

Number:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

[]	Please enter and	l consider the	e amendment	and/or rep	ply prev	iously filed or	n
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[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not					
	considered.					
[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on					
[]	Other					
b. Enclosed are:						
[X]	Amendment/Reply.					
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).					
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.					
[]	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).					
[]	Other.					

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

DCD D 115()	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extr Pres	a Claims ent		Rate	_	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	17	-	20	= 0		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	4	-	5	= 0		X	\$200.00	_	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	f any	Multiple I	Dependen	t Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
				•	CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$790.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	1	\$120.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00		\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00		\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00		\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00		\$0.00			
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:							
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -							
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL							
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:							
[]	[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):						
[]] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)						
TOTAL FEE:							

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$910.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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